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| QUANTITY<br>BUSH.                              | SWEET CORN. | CROP<br>NO. | PRICE PER<br>BUSH. | QUANTITY<br>BUSH.                       | SWEET CORN. | CROP<br>NO. | PRICE PER<br>BUSH. |
|------------------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------|
| <b>EXTRA EARLY VARIETIES.</b>                  |             |             |                    |                                         |             |             |                    |
| ..... Fordhook, Early.....                     | 501         |             |                    | ..... Evergreen Sweet Fodder.....       | 554         |             |                    |
| ..... Burpee's First of All.....               | 502         |             |                    | .....                                   | 555         |             |                    |
| ..... Red Cory.....                            | 503         |             |                    | .....                                   | 556         |             |                    |
| ..... White Cory.....                          | 504         |             |                    | .....                                   | 557         |             |                    |
| ..... Marblehead.....                          | 505         |             |                    | .....                                   | 558         |             |                    |
| ..... Extra Early Adams.....                   | 506         |             |                    | .....                                   | 559         |             |                    |
| ..... Burlington Hybrid.....                   | 507         |             |                    | 60                                      |             |             |                    |
| ..... Burbank's Early Maine.....               | 508         |             |                    |                                         |             |             |                    |
| ..... Crosby's (Original Strain).....          | 509         |             |                    |                                         |             |             |                    |
| ..... Chicago Market.....                      | 510         |             |                    |                                         |             |             |                    |
| ..... Perry's Hybrid.....                      | 511         |             |                    | <b>FIELD CORN.</b>                      |             |             |                    |
| ..... Bonanza.....                             | 512         |             |                    | <b>CANADIAN FLINT VARIETIES.</b>        |             |             |                    |
| ..... Minnesota.....                           | 513         |             |                    | ..... New Connecticut Giant.....        | 560         |             |                    |
|                                                | 514         |             |                    | ..... Compton's Early.....              | 561         |             |                    |
|                                                | 515         |             |                    | ..... Early Eight Rowed, Yellow.....    | 562         |             |                    |
|                                                | 516         |             |                    | ..... Longfellow, Yellow.....           | 563         |             |                    |
|                                                | 517         |             |                    | ..... Angel of Midnight, Yellow.....    | 564         |             |                    |
|                                                | 518         |             |                    | ..... Sandford White.....               | 565         |             |                    |
| <b>MEDIUM EARLY VARIETIES.</b>                 |             |             |                    |                                         |             |             |                    |
| ..... New England Sweet.....                   | 519         |             |                    | ..... Thoroughbred White.....           | 566         |             |                    |
| ..... New Columbus Market.....                 | 520         |             |                    |                                         | 567         |             |                    |
| ..... Hance's Early.....                       | 521         |             |                    |                                         | 568         |             |                    |
| ..... Champion.....                            | 522         |             |                    |                                         | 569         |             |                    |
| ..... Crosby's (Conn. Strain).....             | 523         |             |                    |                                         | 570         |             |                    |
| ..... Early Adams.....                         | 524         |             |                    |                                         | 571         |             |                    |
| ..... Honey.....                               | 525         |             |                    | <b>DENT VARIETIES.</b>                  |             |             |                    |
| ..... Pee and Kay.....                         | 526         |             |                    | ..... Minnesota King, Yellow.....       | 572         |             |                    |
| ..... Shaker's Early.....                      | 527         |             |                    | ..... King of the Earliest, Yellow..... | 573         |             |                    |
| ..... Moore's Concord.....                     | 528         |             |                    | ..... Pride of the North, Yellow.....   | 574         |             |                    |
| ..... New England, Eight Rowed.....            | 529         |             |                    | ..... White Cap, Yellow.....            | 575         |             |                    |
| ..... Old Colony.....                          | 530         |             |                    | ..... Early Butler, Yellow.....         | 576         |             |                    |
| ..... Mammoth Early.....                       | 531         |             |                    | ..... Early Huron, Yellow.....          | 577         |             |                    |
| ..... Black Mexican.....                       | 532         |             |                    | ..... Early Waterloo, Yellow.....       | 578         |             |                    |
| ..... Potter's Excelsior.....                  | 533         |             |                    | ..... Iowa Gold Mine, Yellow.....       | 579         |             |                    |
| ..... Squantum.....                            | 534         |             |                    | ..... Legal Tender, Yellow.....         | 580         |             |                    |
| ..... Hickox Improved.....                     | 535         |             |                    | ..... Improved Leaming, Yellow.....     | 581         |             |                    |
| ..... Russell's Prolific.....                  | 536         |             |                    | ..... Mastodon, Yellow.....             | 582         |             |                    |
| ..... None Such.....                           | 537         |             |                    | ..... Golden Beauty, Yellow.....        | 583         |             |                    |
| ..... Stabler's Pedigree.....                  | 538         |             |                    | ..... Red Cob, White Dent.....          | 584         |             |                    |
|                                                | 539         |             |                    | ..... Wisconsin White Dent.....         | 585         |             |                    |
|                                                | 540         |             |                    | ..... Champion White Pearl.....         | 586         |             |                    |
|                                                | 541         |             |                    |                                         | 587         |             |                    |
|                                                | 542         |             |                    |                                         | 588         |             |                    |
|                                                | 543         |             |                    |                                         | 589         |             |                    |
| <b>LATE VARIETIES.</b>                         |             |             |                    |                                         | 590         |             |                    |
| ..... Mammoth.....                             | 544         |             |                    |                                         | 591         |             |                    |
| ..... Egyptian.....                            | 545         |             |                    | <b>CUCUMBER.</b>                        |             |             |                    |
| ..... Stowell's Evergreen.....                 | 546         |             |                    | ..... Early Russian.....                | 592         |             |                    |
| ..... Stowell's Evergreen, Extra Selected..... | 547         |             |                    | ..... Extra Early Siberian.....         | 593         |             |                    |
| ..... Zig-Zag Evergreen.....                   | 548         |             |                    | ..... Extra Early Seedling.....         | 594         |             |                    |
| ..... Everbearing.....                         | 549         |             |                    | ..... Early Cluster.....                | 595         |             |                    |
| ..... Gold.Coin.....                           | 550         |             |                    | ..... Early Frame.....                  | 596         |             |                    |
| ..... Improved Ruby.....                       | 551         |             |                    | ..... Early Short Green.....            | 597         |             |                    |
| ..... Ne Plus Ultra.....                       | 552         |             |                    | ..... Arlington Early White Spine.....  | 598         |             |                    |
| ..... Country Gentleman.....                   | 553         |             |                    | ..... Arlington White Spine, { Boston   |             |             |                    |
|                                                |             |             |                    | ..... Hill's Forcing Strain } Market    | 599         |             |                    |
|                                                |             |             |                    | ..... Peerless White Spine.....         | 600         |             |                    |
|                                                |             |             |                    | ..... Improved White Spine.....         | 601         |             |                    |
|                                                |             |             |                    | ..... Bismarck White Spine.....         | 602         |             |                    |
|                                                |             |             |                    | ..... Evergreen White Spine.....        | 603         |             |                    |
|                                                |             |             |                    | ..... Extra Long White Spine.....       | 604         |             |                    |

| QUANTITY<br>LBS.                  | CUCUMBER.                            | CROP<br>NO. | PRICE PER<br>POUND. | QUANTITY<br>LBS.    | MUSK MELON.                        | CROP<br>NO. | PRICE PER<br>POUND. |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------|---------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|-------------|---------------------|
| .....                             | Nichol's Medium Green.....           | 605         |                     | .....               | *Baltimore or Acme.....            | 660         |                     |
| .....                             | Westerfield's Chicago Pickling.....  | 606         |                     | .....               | Perfection.....                    | 661         |                     |
| .....                             | Boston Pickling.....                 | 607         |                     | .....               | California Nectar.....             | 662         |                     |
| .....                             | Jersey Pickling.....                 | 608         |                     | .....               | Princess.....                      | 663         |                     |
| .....                             | Green Prolific Pickling.....         | 609         |                     | .....               | *Pineapple.....                    | 664         |                     |
| .....                             | Extra Early Green Prolific.....      | 610         |                     | .....               | *Champion Market.....              | 665         |                     |
| .....                             | Thorburn's Commercial Pickle.....    | 611         |                     | .....               | *New Orleans Market.....           | 666         |                     |
| .....                             | Livingston's Evergreen.....          | 612         |                     | .....               | Miller's Cream.....                | 667         |                     |
| .....                             | Thorburn's Everbearing.....          | 613         |                     | .....               | *Chicago Market.....               | 668         |                     |
| .....                             | Tailby's Hybrid.....                 | 614         |                     | .....               | Emerald Gem.....                   | 669         |                     |
| .....                             | Improved Long Green.....             | 615         |                     | .....               | Osage.....                         | 670         |                     |
| .....                             | Long Green Turkey.....               | 616         |                     | .....               | Banana.....                        | 671         |                     |
| .....                             | White Dutch.....                     | 617         |                     | .....               | *Maule's Superior.....             | 672         |                     |
| .....                             | White Pearl.....                     | 618         |                     | .....               | Vick's Irondequoit.....            | 673         |                     |
| .....                             | Cool and Crisp.....                  | 619         |                     | .....               | Perfected Delmonico.....           | 674         |                     |
| .....                             | Benary's Half Long Green, Prickly    | 620         |                     | .....               | *Columbus.....                     | 675         |                     |
| .....                             | White Wonder.....                    | 621         |                     | .....               | Triumph.....                       | 676         |                     |
| .....                             | New Albino.....                      | 622         |                     | .....               | *Netted Beauty.....                | 677         |                     |
| .....                             | Fordhook White Spine.....            | 623         |                     | .....               | Banquet.....                       | 678         |                     |
| .....                             | West India Gherkin.....              | 624         |                     | .....               | Tip-Top.....                       | 679         |                     |
| .....                             | Japanese Climbing.....               | 625         |                     | .....               | *Superb.....                       | 680         |                     |
| .....                             | Japanese Climbing, White.....        | 626         |                     | .....               | *Melrose.....                      | 681         |                     |
| .....                             | New Extra Early Long Green.....      | 627         |                     | .....               | *Ferry's Cosmopolitan.....         | 682         |                     |
| .....                             | Giant Pera.....                      | 628         |                     | .....               | *Green Fleshed Osage.....          | 683         |                     |
| .....                             | War Club.....                        | 629         |                     | .....               | *Henderson's Newport.....          | 684         |                     |
| .....                             | Snake.....                           | 630         |                     | .....               | *Southern Beauty.....              | 685         |                     |
| .....                             | Parisian Pickling.....               | 631         |                     | .....               | *Jersey Belle.....                 | 686         |                     |
| .....                             | Ex. Long Green Giant (20 to 24 in.)  | 632         |                     | .....               | *Long Island Beauty.....           | 687         |                     |
| .....                             | Long Green Athens (15 to 20 in.)     | 633         |                     | .....               | Shumway's Giant.....               | 688         |                     |
| .....                             | New Giant White (18 to 20 inches)    | 634         |                     | .....               | Imp'd Netted Gem (Rose Bros. Stk.) | 689         |                     |
| .....                             | New Goliath Long Green (20 to 25 in) | 635         |                     | .....               | Thorburn's New Giant.....          | 690         |                     |
| .....                             |                                      | 636         |                     | .....               | *Giant Chicago Market.....         | 691         |                     |
| .....                             |                                      | 637         |                     | .....               | *Melon or Vine Peach.....          | 692         |                     |
| .....                             |                                      | 638         |                     | .....               | Persian Monarch.....               | 693         |                     |
| .....                             |                                      | 639         |                     | .....               | Extra Early Giant Prolific.....    | 694         |                     |
| .....                             |                                      | 640         |                     | .....               | *Cannon Ball.....                  | 695         |                     |
| .....                             |                                      | 641         |                     | .....               | New Apple Shaped.....              | 696         |                     |
| .....                             |                                      |             |                     | .....               |                                    | 697         |                     |
| .....                             |                                      |             |                     | .....               |                                    | 698         |                     |
| .....                             |                                      |             |                     | .....               |                                    | 699         |                     |
| .....                             |                                      |             |                     | .....               |                                    | 700         |                     |
| .....                             |                                      |             |                     | .....               |                                    | 701         |                     |
| <b>MUSK MELON—Green Fleshed.*</b> |                                      |             |                     |                     |                                    |             |                     |
| .....                             | *Extra Early Green Citron.....       | 642         |                     | <b>WATER MELON.</b> |                                    |             |                     |
| .....                             | *Extra Early Jenny Lind.....         | 643         |                     | .....               | Vick's Early.....                  | 702         |                     |
| .....                             | *Extra Early Hackensack.....         | 644         |                     | .....               | Phinney's Early.....               | 703         |                     |
| .....                             | *Early Prolific Nutmeg.....          | 645         |                     | .....               | Kolb's Gem.....                    | 704         |                     |
| .....                             | *Early Netted Gem, Burpee's Strain   | 646         |                     | .....               | Dixie.....                         | 705         |                     |
| .....                             | *Early Netted Chicago Little Gem     | 647         |                     | .....               | Mountain Sweet.....                | 706         |                     |
| .....                             | *Large Green Citron.....             | 648         |                     | .....               | Pride of Georgia.....              | 707         |                     |
| .....                             | Surprise.....                        | 649         |                     | .....               | Mountain Sprout.....               | 708         |                     |
| .....                             | *White Japan.....                    | 650         |                     | .....               | Dark Icing or Ice Rind.....        | 709         |                     |
| .....                             | Improved Orange Christina.....       | 651         |                     | .....               | Light Icing.....                   | 710         |                     |
| .....                             | *Large Hackensack.....               | 652         |                     | .....               | Peerless.....                      | 711         |                     |
| .....                             | *Casaba.....                         | 653         |                     | .....               | Cuban Queen.....                   | 712         |                     |
| .....                             | Imp. Round Yellow Cantaloupe         | 654         |                     | .....               | Black Spanish (black seed).....    | 713         |                     |
| .....                             | Long Yellow Cantaloupe.....          | 655         |                     | .....               | Landreth's Boss.....               | 714         |                     |
| .....                             | *Skillman's Netted.....              | 656         |                     |                     |                                    |             |                     |
| .....                             | Grand Rapids.....                    | 657         |                     |                     |                                    |             |                     |
| .....                             | *Bay View.....                       | 658         |                     |                     |                                    |             |                     |
| .....                             | *Montreal Market.....                | 659         |                     |                     |                                    |             |                     |

| QUANTITY<br>LBS. | WATER MELON.                          | CROP<br>NO. | PRICE PER<br>POUND. |
|------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------|---------------------|
|                  | Mammoth Ironclad.....                 | 715         |                     |
|                  | Seminole.....                         | 716         |                     |
|                  | Green and Gold.....                   | 717         |                     |
|                  | Gray Monarch or Long White Icing      | 718         |                     |
|                  | Florida Favorite.....                 | 719         |                     |
|                  | Georgia Rattlesnake.....              | 720         |                     |
|                  | Kentucky Wonder (red seed).....       | 721         |                     |
|                  | Delaware.....                         | 722         |                     |
|                  | Citron, for Preserves (red seed)..... | 723         |                     |
|                  | Citron, preserves, Colo, (green seed) | 724         |                     |
|                  | Fordhook.....                         | 725         |                     |
|                  | Blue Gem.....                         | 726         |                     |
|                  | Ruby Gold.....                        | 727         |                     |
|                  | Cole's Early.....                     | 728         |                     |
|                  | Ferry's Sweetheart.....               | 729         |                     |
|                  | Girardeau's New Favorite.....         | 730         |                     |
|                  | Hungarian Honey.....                  | 731         |                     |
|                  | Volga.....                            | 732         |                     |
|                  | Orange.....                           | 733         |                     |
|                  | Stoke's Extra Early.....              | 734         |                     |
|                  | Golden Honey.....                     | 735         |                     |
|                  | Prize Jumbo.....                      | 736         |                     |
|                  | Jones' Jumbo.....                     | 737         |                     |
|                  | Hoosier King.....                     | 738         |                     |
|                  | Duke Jones.....                       | 739         |                     |
|                  | McIver Sugar.....                     | 740         |                     |
|                  | White Queen.....                      | 741         |                     |
|                  | Nabob.....                            | 742         |                     |
|                  | Girardeau's Triumph.....              | 743         |                     |
|                  |                                       | 744         |                     |
|                  |                                       | 745         |                     |
|                  |                                       | 746         |                     |
|                  |                                       | 747         |                     |
|                  |                                       | 748         |                     |
| <b>PUMPKIN.</b>  |                                       |             |                     |
|                  | Large Cheese.....                     | 749         |                     |
|                  | Large Cashaw (striped).....           | 750         |                     |
|                  | Improved Cashaw.....                  | 751         |                     |
|                  | Small Sweet or Sugar.....             | 752         |                     |
|                  | Negro or Nantucket.....               | 753         |                     |
|                  | Quaker Pie.....                       | 754         |                     |
|                  | Tennessee Sweet Potato.....           | 755         |                     |
|                  | New Crookneck Japanese Pie            | 756         |                     |
|                  | Jonathan.....                         | 757         |                     |
|                  | New Calhoun.....                      | 758         |                     |
|                  | Winter Luxury.....                    | 759         |                     |
|                  | Golden Oblong.....                    | 760         |                     |
|                  | Ferry's Pie.....                      | 761         |                     |
|                  | Gray Boulogne.....                    | 762         |                     |
|                  | Mammoth Etampes.....                  | 763         |                     |
|                  | Mammoth Potiron.....                  | 764         |                     |
|                  | King of the Mammoths.....             | 765         |                     |
|                  | Mammoth Tours.....                    | 766         |                     |
|                  | Dunkard.....                          | 767         |                     |
|                  | Improved Round Dunkard.....           | 768         |                     |
|                  | Vilmorin's Mammoth Globe.....         | 769         |                     |
|                  | Connecticut Field.....                | 770         | 170                 |
|                  | Kentucky Field.....                   | 771         |                     |
|                  |                                       | 772         |                     |
|                  |                                       | 773         |                     |
|                  |                                       | 774         |                     |
|                  |                                       | 775         |                     |
|                  |                                       | 776         |                     |

| QUANTITY<br>LBS.      | SQUASH—Summer.                      | CROP<br>NO. | PRICE PER<br>POUND. |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------|---------------------|
|                       | Early White Bush Scallop.....       | 777         |                     |
|                       | Early Yellow Bush Scallop.....      | 778         |                     |
|                       | Early Summer Crookneck.....         | 779         |                     |
|                       | Mammoth White Bush Scallop.....     | 780         |                     |
|                       | Mammoth Yellow Bush Scallop.....    | 781         |                     |
|                       | Mammoth Summer Crookneck.....       | 782         |                     |
|                       | Mammoth Summer Straightneck.....    | 783         |                     |
|                       | Golden Custard Scallop.....         | 784         |                     |
|                       | Long Island White Bush Scallop..... | 785         |                     |
|                       | Long White Marrow Bush.....         | 786         |                     |
|                       |                                     | 787         |                     |
|                       |                                     | 788         |                     |
|                       |                                     | 789         |                     |
|                       |                                     | 790         |                     |
|                       |                                     | 791         |                     |
| <b>SQUASH—Winter.</b> |                                     |             |                     |
|                       | Boston Marrow.....                  | 782         |                     |
|                       | Improved Orange Marrow.....         | 793         |                     |
|                       | Early Prolific Marrow.....          | 794         |                     |
|                       | American Turban.....                | 795         |                     |
|                       | Low's Essex Hybrid.....             | 796         |                     |
|                       | Warren's Essex Hybrid.....          | 797         |                     |
|                       | Livingston's Pie.....               | 798         |                     |
|                       | Bay State.....                      | 799         |                     |
|                       | Butman.....                         | 800         |                     |
|                       | Hubbard (selected).....             | 801         |                     |
|                       | Pike's Peak or Sibley.....          | 802         |                     |
|                       | Marblehead.....                     | 803         |                     |
|                       | Eureka.....                         | 804         |                     |
|                       | Canada Winter Crookneck.....        | 805         |                     |
|                       | Large Winter Crookneck.....         | 806         |                     |
|                       | Faxon.....                          | 807         |                     |
|                       | Perfect Gem.....                    | 808         |                     |
|                       | Pineapple.....                      | 809         |                     |
|                       | English Vegetable Marrow.....       | 810         |                     |
|                       | Mammoth Chili.....                  | 811         |                     |
|                       | Cocoanut.....                       | 812         |                     |
|                       | Fordhook.....                       | 813         |                     |
|                       | White Chestnut.....                 | 814         |                     |
|                       | Frame's Sweet Nut.....              | 815         |                     |
|                       | Large Mexican Banana.....           | 816         |                     |
|                       | Henderson's Delicata.....           | 817         |                     |
|                       | Chicago Warty Hubbard.....          | 818         |                     |
|                       | Mammoth Hubbard.....                | 819         |                     |
|                       | Golden Hubbard.....                 | 20          | 820                 |
|                       | White Summer Crookneck.....         | 821         |                     |
|                       | Ferry's Green Mountain.....         | 822         |                     |
|                       | Leonard's Golden Heart.....         | 823         |                     |
|                       | Mammoth Whale.....                  | 824         |                     |
|                       |                                     | 825         |                     |
|                       |                                     | 826         |                     |
| <b>GOURDS.</b>        |                                     |             |                     |
|                       | Dipper.....                         | 827         |                     |
|                       | Nest Egg.....                       | 828         |                     |
|                       | Sugar Trough.....                   | 829         |                     |
|                       | Pear Shaped.....                    | 830         |                     |
|                       | Hercules Club.....                  | 831         |                     |
|                       |                                     | 832         |                     |
|                       |                                     | 833         |                     |
|                       |                                     | 834         |                     |